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TITLE OF INVENTION

**Transmission Packets Of Same Length But Different Structure**

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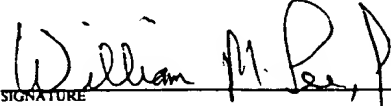
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 37 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.  
☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:

Letter Accompanying Application

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.50)<br><b>09/402049</b>   |              | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/FR98/00626 |            | JOURNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br>518-1004  |              |
| 17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:<br><br><b>Basic National Fee 37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b><br>Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) . \$670.00<br><br>No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)<br>but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$760.00<br><br>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor<br>international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$970.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)<br>and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$96.00 |              |   |            | CALCULATIONS   | PTO USE ONLY |
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| <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>   |              |   |            | \$840  |              |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than _ 20 _ 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).   |              |   |            |  |              |
| Claims  | Number Filed | Number Extra                                    | Rate       |  |              |
| Total Claims  | 8 - 20 =     | 0   | X \$18.00  | 0  |              |
| Independent Claims  | 2 - 3 =      | 0   | X \$78.00  | 0  |              |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)   |              |   | + \$260.00 | 260  |              |
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| <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>   |              |   |            | 1100   |              |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +  |              |   |            | -----  |              |
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| <b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.  |              |   |            |  |              |
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New Patent Application of:  
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United States Patent Application For Transmission  
Packets of Same Length But Different Structure

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1. PCT Transmittal Letter in duplicate
2. Letter Accompanying Application
3. Check No. 35792 in the amount of \$1100.00
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